

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE FOURTH GYMKHANA MEETING of the Season will be held at Jockey Valley on SATURDAY, the 28th instant, commencing at 3.30 p.m. The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform, Free. The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, Sept. 25, 1918. 783

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

MEMBERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the OPENING of the NEW GROUND will take place on SATURDAY, Sept. 28th, at 3.30 p.m. Members, Friends and Members of other Sporting Clubs are cordially invited to attend. There will be Cricket, Bowls and Tennis matches.

L. J. BLACKBURN, Hon. Secretary.

Kowloon, Sept. 20, 1918. 771

HONGKONG CHINESE RECREATION CLUB.

"AT HOME."

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the CLUB'S ANNUAL AT HOME will take place on SATURDAY, the 28th instant, at 4 p.m. There will be Tennis matches between the Champions and the Rest in Division A, B and C of the Hongkong Tennis League. Members and Friends are cordially invited to attend.

UN HEN FAN, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, Sept. 23, 1918. 777

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

MEMBERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Club House on MONDAY, September 30th, 1918, at 5.30 p.m.

BUSINESS:

Report and Accounts for 1917-1918.

Election of Officers for 1918-1919.

General.

L. J. BLACKBURN, Hon. Secretary.

Kowloon, Sept. 20, 1918. 770

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Members will be held on TUESDAY, the 1st October, 1918, at 12.30 p.m., at the Offices of the Hongkong Jockey Club, on the ground floor of the HONGKONG CLUB ANNEX, Chester Road.

A Report will be made at this Meeting as to certain proposals to substitute spectators' stands for some of the Matsubas, hitherto erected on part of the Jockey Club property and the adjoining land.

By Order,

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, Sept. 25, 1918. 782

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 31st prox. both days inclusive. Dividend warrants for the 1st day of October, 1918, to be obtained at the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, on and after MONDAY, 7th October, 1918.

By Order of the Board,

R. M. DYER, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Sept. 23, 1918. 774

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Offices of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., 67 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 1st day of October, 1918, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon when the subject of the Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 13th day of September, 1918, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification thereof subscribed by the Chairman thereof, and the same are hereby approved, and that such Articles be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

A copy of the new Articles referred to may be inspected by any shareholder of the said Company at the Company's Offices in Hongkong, or at the Offices of Messrs. Johnston, Blyden & Master, (the Company's Solicitors) at Prince's Building, Victoria, at any time between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Dated this 13th day of Sept., 1918.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office at Noon on SATURDAY the 19th of October.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 19th of October, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LARRAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, Sept. 20, 1918. 780

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THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2 Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 28th day of October, 1918, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July, 1918.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 27th September to 28th October, 1918, both days inclusive.

By Order,

M. MANUK, Secretary.

Hongkong, Sept. 20, 1918. 769

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

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Under the Small Holdings Colonies Act of 1916 the Board of Agriculture was given powers to acquire 6,000 acres of land in England and Wales for discharged soldiers and sailors. This area has already been acquired: 2,000 in Yorkshire, 1,000 in Lincolnshire, and 3,000 in Shropshire and South Wales. A Bill has passed through Parliament and now awaits the Royal Assent, which will give the Board power to take 60,000 acres more for this purpose.

Sir Richard Winfrey, the Secretary to the Board of Agriculture, gave to a representative of *The Daily Chronicle* some particulars about the work he is doing in finding land for the brave fellows who have fought and bled for their country.

"This last Bill," he said, "gives us power to take land on lease or at a perpetual rent charge. It does not give us powers of purchase, the reason being that the Treasury is unwilling to find us money under present circumstances to buy land. We can only get the money to equip."

"There has been some criticism, both in the Lords and in the Commons, on the ground that our proposals are inequitable. It has been suggested that county councils ought to be allowed to resume their powers of compulsory purchase under the 1908 Act. I want to make it clear that I am, personally, not averse from these bodies resuming their powers, but if they cannot get the money from the Treasury, I was not prepared to mark time, and the present proposals appeared to offer the only way of getting on with the work at the moment."

"But it is a mistake to suppose that the Board of Agriculture was ever opposed to action by the county councils. I recognise fully the excellent work which several of the councils have done under the 1908 Act."

APPEAL TO LANDOWNERS.

Having been the chairman of the first Small Holdings Committee in Lincolnshire, I fully recognise the value of local initiative and control. But in the position we now find ourselves in, this seems to be the only way out. And I trust that the landowners up and down the country will come to our assistance. I will look forward to the realisation of my hope that much more than 80,000 acres will be obtained. As Mr. Frothery recently said in the House of Commons, 'Nobody, I venture to say, knows better than I do how inadequate is the provision which has been made. We have,' continued Sir Richard, 'a great deal of what I may call semi-public land which, in my opinion, ought to be placed at the disposal of the men who have fought for our country. This land is in the hands of the Crown, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, colleges, and hospitals, and much of it is excellent agricultural land, and should be obtained as an opportunity arises. Meanwhile, prices are going up. Some land belonging to Sir Peter's College, Cambridge, was sold last May for £1,000 an acre. £27,000. A small auction it fetched £10,000, or more than 40 per cent. over the valuation. This is

an illustration of what is going on all over the country."

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CARGO VESSELS.

CONSTRUCTION IN INDIA.

A *communiqué* has been issued by the Indian Munitions Board, concerning the construction in India, on behalf of Government, of cargo steamers. The question has been under examination in India, and has formed the subject of correspondence with the authorities in the United Kingdom, whether advantage could not be taken of Indian resources for the construction of cargo steamers in India for use by the Government. The advantages of making addition to the available numbers of cargo steamers are obvious, but the Government of India have, after the fullest consideration, come to the conclusion that local resources under the present war conditions cannot economically be turned to account in this direction.

The principal reasons which have led to their decision may be stated for public information. They consist in the difficulties encountered in providing the necessary materials and skilled labour in the comparative undeveloped state of the ship-construction industry in India, and in the fact that such engineering productive capacity as exists is already largely and to a still greater extent will soon be engaged in other essential war work which could not be carried on concurrently with the development of a shipbuilding industry.

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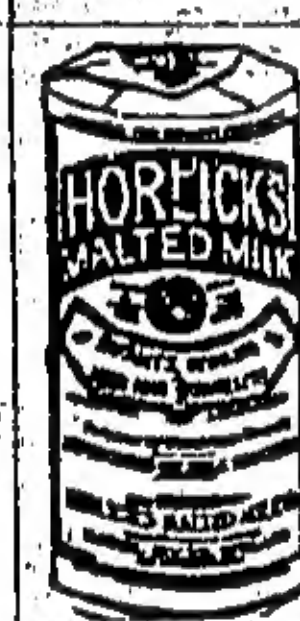
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An appendix contains a statement of three members of the committee.

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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPT. 27, 1918.

THE GERMAN ATTITUDE.

We are inclined to regard Count HERTING's speech before the Main Committee of the Reichstag as more an "attitude" adopted to maintain the morale of the nation than the expression of a sincere conviction upon a full and careful study of Germany's present position in the war. The speech is chiefly noteworthy for the way it allures over factors of vital interest and labours old contentions as to the responsibility for the war, on which the world has long ago definitely made up its mind. The proof that this is a German-made war is overwhelming, and Count HERTING's excuse for the invasion of Belgium is not even accepted by enlightened leaders in Germany, as the extract from Herr EXNER's new work on the war, which has been so much acclaimed in Germany, conclusively shows. The Chancellor's sneer at America's enthusiasm for the war and at the British recognition of the "enormous rubble of Czechoslovakia" is simply, bawling consideration of factors which the German nation cannot afford to dismiss in this off-hand manner; nor will they, German statesmen are either wilfully blind to patent facts or are guilty of the unpardonable crime of deluding the people of Germany by unblinking misrepresentation. The German Government is still relying on the submarine to bring victory, but her statesmen refuse to recognise the fact that the submarine's work is being counterbalanced by new tonnage. The fact that German submarines are still sinking shipping tonnage is freely admitted in the official statements regularly issued by the British Admiralty and the American Shipping Board, but the German Chancellor studiously neglected to tell the Reichstag Committee what Sir ERIC GARDNER told the House of Commons in July, namely that in the quarter ended June 30th this year the loss of world tonnage had been converted into a net gain of 100,000 tons per month, nor did he mention the recent statement of the Shipping Board of the United States that "the total losses caused by submarines during the war will soon be overcome" by the ever increasing output of shipping. On the contrary he told the Reichstag Committee that "the submarines were slowly but surely fulfilling their task of diminishing tonnage, thus above all menacing and restricting reinforcements in men and material from the United States." Yet, the United States, since March last, has been conveying troops to France at the rate of over a quarter of a million a month, and has placed in France to date an army of over 1,750,000, which is furnished with all needed supplies from the United States. German statesmen are well aware that the Powers at war with Germany are as anxious as Germany herself to see the war ended before half the world is ruined and the power of its manhood dead on the battlefield. But, still the spirit of German Militarism is not extinguished in Germany.

of the war is possible with security that there shall not be a "next war," such as German militarists of the HERTING school have foreseen. The only danger to Germany is the Prussian sword. Under a government of the world such as is indicated in the Allied War Aims it is manifest that the legitimate possessions of the German Fatherland would not be menaced or endangered, and that the people of Germany, once "the good German sword" which has hitherto been associated with her "kultural mission" and economic activities throughout the world, is beaten into a ploughshare, would be as free as the rest of the world to live and to work for the development of legitimate national interests. What the world needs is a complete and satisfactory assurance that the German military aggression which has been so industriously advocated in her national literature of the past twenty years, shall be definitely abandoned. Until that assurance is forthcoming accompanied by adequate guarantees, the liberties of the world will be in peril, and the world must fight for their protection and permanent security.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Gymkhana at the Happy Valley Race Course starts to-morrow afternoon at 3.30.

Exchange dropped one farthing this morning, the demand rate being now 3s. 7 1/2d.

The Manila Observatory to-day reports a typhoon in about 137 Long. E. and 11 Lat. N., moving W.N.W.

The Rev. P. H. Anderson, President of the Graves Theological Seminary, Canton, was married on the 25th to Miss P. Eaton, of the South Baptist Mission.

Peking is growing concerned over the large number of Russian troops that are being dispatched to the capital. "There must be some motive for the coming of these troops," says a Peking telegram.

It is reported from Peking that the President-elect will be prepared to dismiss the Tuan Cabinet on condition that the South-West will dissolve the Military Government at Canton, and that he will also dissolve the new Parliament if the Old Parliament at Canton is dissolved simultaneously.

The "Our Day" arrangements at Shamen include children's amusements and shows in the afternoon, and a dinner and fireworks in the evening. Among the features of the afternoon will be May-pole dancing by children, and a Chrysanthemum show.

The Intelligence Bureau of Canton informs us that Dr. Sun Yat-sen has formally assumed office as one of the seven Administration Directors in the Military Government. Mr. Hau Chien arrived in Canton yesterday and presented his credentials which give him full power to act as Dr. Sun's delegate.

The Canton branch of the Bank of China is arranging to reopen and to redeem its outstanding notes, a loan of \$800,000 having been arranged for this purpose by the Commissioner of Finance, with the Bank of Taiwan. The Commissioner first desires the approval of the General Chamber of Commerce to this course. The Tobacco and Alcohol taxes are the security for the loan.

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The effect of the war is shown in the personnel of this year's graduates at the universities. The modern and rather technical University of Birmingham supplies a typical instance. The whole of those receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts are young women (15 in all) who are doubtless destined for the academic profession, while on the science side the B.Sc. honours are practically divided between English girls and German students. Two thirds of the B.Sc. honours of the year are held by girls, and the same is the case with the B.A. honours. The number of German students at the universities is very small.

THE MAGISTRACY.

A BOGUS LANDLORD.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood with obtaining \$10 under false pretences from a woman in Gage Street. Inspector Brown said that complainant and her husband were in search of a flat and were introduced by a friend to defendant, who was represented to be a landlord. Defendant took the complainant to Gage Street and pointed out a vacant flat, the rent of which he said was \$27 a month. The woman said she would take the flat and defendant then asked for an advance of \$10, which was given. A few days later the defendant went to complainant's husband and asked him for a further advance. The man grew suspicious and handed him over to the Police. The man who had introduced complainant to defendant had disappeared.

Defendant said it was a case of mistaken identity. He was met in the street by the woman, who charged him with taking \$10 from her. The case was adjourned.

ALLEGED KIDNAPPING OF A YOUNG BOY.

An old Chinese woman and a young man were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning with kidnapping a little boy from the custody of his parents in Kwangai.

Inspector Kent said that while detective constable 143 was on duty in plain clothes in Ladder Street he noticed two women and a child. The latter appeared to be unwilling to go with the women. The constable becoming suspicious, questioned the two women, and as their replies were not satisfactory he took them to the Police station. When the boy was questioned he said that his father was a gambler and had given him over to the woman to be taken to Hongkong. The story was persisted in and Inspector Kent thought it a peculiar one for a little boy to make sent the two women and the boy to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. He told a different story to Mr. Lindell of the Chinese Secretariat, as a result of which one of the women was discharged and the second defendant, a young man, was arrested.

The second defendant said that he intended taking the boy to Ki In Chow, while the woman said she brought the boy from Ting Lok district, Kwangai, with the consent of his parents. Inspector Kent asked for a week's remand to get into communication with the boy's parents.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A DAGGER.

A Chinese was charged, on remand, with being in unlawful possession of a dagger. Mr. Leo d'Almeida appeared for the defence.

Mr. Wood remanded the case till Tuesday, fixing bail at \$500.

A WOMAN FINED.

A Chinese woman was fined \$300 or 5 weeks' rigorous imprisonment for being in unlawful possession of 3 lbs. of non-Government opium in Morrison Hill Road.

The opium was concealed in a false bottom of a basket, which was produced in court.

A SNATCHER SENTENCED.

A Chinese was charged with snatching an ear-ring valued at \$6 from a woman in Des Vaux Road, west. Complainant was walking along the street when defendant snatched the ear-ring and passed it on to a confederate.

Complainant turned round and caught the defendant, and handed him over to the Police. The ear-ring was not recovered.

Defendant alleged that he was taking a walk when the complainant accused him of snatching her ear-ring. He told her that he saw another man snatch it. When he tried to follow the other man she detained him.

Mr. Wood sentenced him to six months' hard labour and twelve strokes of the whip. If he was medically unfit for strokes he was to get an additional month.

UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY.

Nineteen Chinese were arranged before Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe this morning charged with congregating for an unlawful purpose on the 25th instant at 4 Tai Wong Street East, the first floor.

MARINE COURT.

MISDEMEANOURS IN THE HARBOUR.

In the Marine Court, this morning, before Commander Beckwith, R.N., Marine Magistrate, Chan Yau Choi, coxswain of the launch *Fat Hing*, was charged with making fast certain junk, by his launch, to the a.s. *Sui Yung* whilst under way, in the Harbour, and also with failing to stop his launch when called upon to do so by the police.

Accused pleaded guilty to the first charge but denied the second. Defendant said he did not know the police launch whistle was blowing. As soon as he heard it he stopped. With regard to the first charge, he was instructed to take the junk alongside, by his employer.

Defendant was fined \$75 or three months' hard labour on both charges.

Ten Chinese junk owners were charged with making fast their junks to the a.s. *Sui Yung* whilst under way. Accused pleaded that they were instructed to go alongside and get cargo.

In two cases, a fine of \$50 or three months' hard labour was inflicted, the defendants being old offenders; the remaining eight accused, being first offenders, were fined \$25 each, or one month's hard labour.

Wong Kai, boiler maker, was charged with being on board the a.s. *Chang Chou* without permission of the Master.

Accused pleaded guilty. Sergeant Langan said that he received a telephone message from the Second Engineer of the ship who said there was a man on board suspected of stealing a safety valve. Witness went on board and found the accused on top of a boiler just where a safety valve had been removed. He had investigated the accused's explanations as to why he was on board, and found them to be false.

Accused was sentenced to one month's hard labour.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE AND COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

The Report of the Ice and Cold Storage Department, for presentation to shareholders at the Twenty-Second Ordinary Yearly Meeting to be held on Saturday, the 5th October, states:—

In accordance with the terms of the Agreement dated 26th March, 1916 between the Dairy Farm Company, Limited, and Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, Limited, General Managers of the Hongkong Ice Company, Limited, the Directors herewith present to the Shareholders a statement of the Company's Accounts for the Ice and Cold Storage Department for the period 9th May to 31st July, 1918.

The net profit for the period mentioned after writing off \$22,479.70 for depreciation, is \$19,080.00, which is proposed to appropriate as follows:— To pay a dividend of \$2.00 per share on each of the 5,500 Ice Company's shares as per above mentioned Agreement amounting to \$11,000.00 and to carry forward \$8,080.00.

The accounts have audited by Mr. H. Perry Smith, F.C.A., who offers himself for re-election.

W. S. BROWN,

Chairman.

Hongkong, Sept. 11th, 1918.

SERIOUS FIRE IN WING LOK STREET.

A BUILDING ENTIRELY DESTROYED.

A serious fire broke out this morning at 111, Wing Lok Street, completely destroying a three-storied building. Smoke was seen at 4.45 a.m. issuing from the ground floor of this house, and a constable on duty in that locality gave the alarm. The Fire Brigade arrived shortly after 5. By that time the fire had obtained a good grip of the premises. It spread rapidly. Water was played on the flames from different angles.

Seeing that there was no hope of saving the building, the Brigade turned their attention to the adjoining houses and by throwing considerable jets of water prevented the conflagration from spreading.

A fairly strong wind was blowing at the time, and this handicapped the fire-fighters, but the fire was stemmed within three-quarters of an hour.

The ground floor was used as a medical hall. The building has been entirely gutted. The inmates lost all their belongings. The cause of the fire is not known.

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS BY MAJOR H. A. MORGAN, ADMINISTRATIVE COMMANDANT.

STRENGTH. No. 685 Pte. G. Ireland, "B" Company, is permitted to resign, on the recommendation of a Medical Board, dated 20th September, 1918.

LEAVE.

No. 454 Spr. F. Syme Thompson, "A" Coy. (attached Eng. Coy.), is granted leave for the duration of the war, to date from day of departure.

REVISION.

No. 292 1st Lt. Lance Corp. C. F. V. Ribeiro, "A" Coy. attached Engineer Coy., reverts to the ranks at his own request, dated 21.9.18.

TRANSFER.

No. 293 Pte. G. F. Y. Ribeiro, is transferred from "A" Coy. to the Engineer Coy., dated 22.9.18.

ATTACHED.

Pte. G. Nelson, I.D.F., attached M. Gun Coy., is attached to "D" Coy., from 26.9.18.

MONTHLY STATE OF STRENGTH.

O.C.s are reminded that changes of address or telephone numbers must be notified to the Adjutant immediately they occur.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATES.

Medical certificates must be sent to the Officer Commanding the unit concerned immediately after receipt.

ACQUISITION BOARD.

The Board will sit at Headquarters from 5.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on the following dates:—

FRIDAY, 27th Sept.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 30th Sept.—5.30 p.m.

TUESDAY, 1st Oct.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 3rd Oct.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 4th Oct.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 8th Oct.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 11th Oct.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 12th Oct.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 15th Oct.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 18th Oct.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 19th Oct.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 22nd Oct.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 25th Oct.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 26th Oct.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 29th Oct.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 31st Oct.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 1st Nov.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 4th Nov.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 7th Nov.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 8th Nov.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 11th Nov.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 14th Nov.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 15th Nov.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 18th Nov.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 21st Nov.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 22nd Nov.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 25th Nov.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 28th Nov.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 29th Nov.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 2nd Dec.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 5th Dec.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 6th Dec.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 9th Dec.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 12th Dec.—5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 13th Dec.—5.30 p.m.

MONDAY, 16th Dec.—5.30 p.m.

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MONDAY, 30th Dec.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 31st Dec.—5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 1st Oct.

5.15 p.m. Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5 gun teams at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course. Part 2. Practices 13, 14 and 15. Dress, drill order with pouches.

WEDNESDAY, 2nd Oct.

5.15 p.m. No. 1 gun team at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course. Part 2. Practices 8 and 9. Dress, drill order with pouches.

FRIDAY, 4th Oct.

7.10 a.m.—Beginners' Class at Headquarters.

5.15 p.m.—No. gun team at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course. Part 2. Practices 10 and 11. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Any change of address, telephone number, rifles or equipment number is to be notified to C. Q. M. S. Petty without delay.

SQUAD SECTION.

5.15 p.m. At Kennedy Road Range (Men who have not passed) T. E. T. Grouping. Dress, Drill order without rifles.

THURSDAY, 3rd Oct.

5.30 p.m. At Jockey Club Stables. Dress Drill order without rifles.

TUESDAY, 1st Oct.

5.15 p.m. At Kennedy Road Range (Men who have not passed) T. E. T. Grouping. Dress, Drill order without rifles.

Monday, 30th Sept. & Friday, 4th Oct.—5.30 p.m. Recruits of all units except "D" Company, on Murray Parade Ground, under Sergeant Osberry (Monday) and Edmunds (Friday). Dress, drill order.

On duty 20th Sept.—No. 3 Platoon Mounted Section and Signalling Section (4).

On duty 21st Sept.—No. 4 Platoon (4).

On duty 22nd Sept.—No. 5 Platoon (4).

On duty 23rd Sept.—No. 6 Platoon (4).

On duty 24th Sept.—No. 7 Platoon (4).

On duty 25th Sept.—No. 8 Platoon (4).

On duty 26th Sept.—No. 9 Platoon (4).

On duty 27th Sept.—No. 10 Platoon (4).

On duty 28th Sept.—No. 11 Platoon (4).

On duty 29th Sept.—No. 12 Platoon (4).

On duty 30th Sept.—No. 13 Platoon (4).

On duty 1st Oct.—No. 14 Platoon (4).

On duty 2nd Oct.—No. 15

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

THE BRITISH FRONT.

SELENCY CAPTURED.
ENEMY SURPRISE ATTACK FAILS.

LONDON, Sept. 25. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

"There was sharp local fighting this morning in the neighbourhood of Selency, which was captured with several prisoners. Our rifle and machine-gun fire broke up, with less than three counter-attacks north-west of Fuyot."

We beat off an attempted surprise attack by the enemy east of Epshy. Many German dead are in front of our positions.

We repulsed raiders at night south-east of Inchy. A strong enemy party entered our post in the neighbourhood of Moivreux, but were ejected by our counter-attack.

SUCCESSFUL LOCAL OPERATIONS BY BRITISH.

LONDON, Sept. 26. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

"We successfully continued local operations during the afternoon and night north-westward of St. Quentin. The English progressed and captured certain strongly defended positions in the neighbourhoods of Selency and Gricourt, and captured a number of prisoners."

Besides the counter-attacks launched by the enemy, north-westward of Fuyot, he also twice unsuccessfully attacked us, northward of Gricourt.

"The English were successful in a minor operation north-westward of La Bassée, advancing their line and taking over 100 prisoners. We repulsed a counter-attack in this locality during the night taking several prisoners."

"We improved our positions slightly north-westward of Arrientieres and took several prisoners in patrol encounters and raids, between Arrientieres and Ypres."

BUSY DAY FOR BRITISH AVIATORS.

53 MACHINES BROUGHT DOWN.

LONDON, Sept. 25. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, says:—

"Two thousand photographs were taken on the 24th. Our observers reported much damage on enemy battery positions as a result of our artillery fire."

"We dropped 124 tons of bombs, two aerodromes and several railway junctions being heavily attacked. There was much air-fighting."

"We destroyed 31 aeroplanes and we drove down 22. Ten British machines are missing. Eight enemy balloons were destroyed."

THE FRENCH FRONT.

BITTER FIGHTING THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

ENEMY MAKES REPEATED ATTEMPTS TO RECAPTURE LOST POSITION.

LONDON, Sept. 26.

A French communiqué states:—

West of St. Quentin the enemy this afternoon attempted to eject us from Epice-de-Dallon. All his assaults were repulsed.

Between the Ailette and the Aisne the day was marked by violent enemy reactions on the Mosy Farm plateau and in the region north of Allernant, where there was desperate fighting throughout the day.

Despite repeated efforts the enemy failed to recover our gains of the previous days. He lost heavily and left prisoners.

GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, Sept. 26. A German official message, by wireless, says:—

"The enemy temporarily gained a footing on the height between Fanket and Frouet, but our counter-attack recaptured this position."

"The French launched small machine-gun attacks on the 24th, but were repulsed."

LUDENDORFF BEWAILS DECLINING MORALE.

LONDON, Sept. 26.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters, telegraphing yesterday, says:—

A confidential Order signed by General von Ludendorff on the 11th admits the defeat of General von Marwitz's Second Army, which it attributes to the troops allowing themselves to be surprised by a mass attack by Tanks and gives elaborate detailed instructions regarding the measures to fight Tanks, declaring that it is absolutely inadmissible that Tanks, after penetrating the advanced lines, should be able to push forward for miles. It deprecates the disappearance of the principle that the troops must hold out to the last man."

GERMAN BOASTS.

WE SHALL SETTLE WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 25.

General von Wisberg in his speech in the Reichstag (partly reported in a cable yesterday) said: "The German withdrawal in Flanders was made in order to prevent an enveloping British attack."

Dealing with the St. Mihiel salient, General von Wisberg said: "The American Army should not terrify us. We shall also settle with them." He admitted the Allied successes in the Balkans and Palestine. He claimed that the German Army was now adequately armed against Tanks. Summing up the general military situation, von Wisberg said: "Despite our material losses, we are well protected."

THE CLYDE SHIPPING STRIKE.

GOVERNMENT TO TAKE ACTION.

LONDON, Sept. 26.

A statement from a reliable source regarding the strike of the Clyde shipwrights and other shipyard trades, which has spread to Barrow and the east coast of Scotland, points out that the action of the men who demand a minimum wage of £5 weekly is disavowed by their Executives.

Moreover, it is a repudiation of the undertaking of shipyards and Trades Unions that there will be no stoppages of work contained in the scheme to secure the utmost production—furnished for them by their employers last April. As ship production is a most vital national necessity, the Government must act promptly.

The Law provides three methods of enlistment in the Army of strikers of military age, the prosecution of the ringleaders under the Defence of the Realm Act and the fining of strikers by the Munitions Tribunal. The decision of the Government will probably be announced very shortly.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Sept. 24. The Silver Market is steady.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS BY BRITISH.

LONDON, Sept. 25.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

"We further progressed last evening, and at night-time in the neighbourhood of Selency, and at Gricourt."

"The enemy counter-attacked several times, twice in great strength north of Gricourt, and was repulsed on both occasions."

"Two companies of the Second Battalion of the Royal Sussex Regiment in one instance met the enemy with the bayonet, inflicting heavy casualties and capturing a number of prisoners."

"The enemy in the evening again attacked Gricourt, and at first made progress. We immediately counter-attacked and completely restored the situation and captured 40 prisoners."

"We captured 1,000 prisoners and a large number of machine-guns north-west of St. Quentin on Tuesday."

"A successful minor operation on Monday night slightly advanced our line south-east of Inchy."

"We repulsed raiders east of Demicourt and north of Ligny."

"The enemy, raiding west of Fauchy-Camp, captured a British post. A few of our men are missing."

"The enemy again attacked the same post and was repulsed."

"We successfully raided the village of Fanket, and captured a few prisoners."

GENERAL ACTIVITY ON FRENCH FRONT.

LONDON, Sept. 25.

A French communiqué states:—

"There was artillery activity at night-time in the region of St. Quentin and between the Ailette and the Aisne."

"A German attack in the region of Moisy Farm failed completely."

"On the Vesle front there was a fairly lively artillery struggle."

"We repulsed enemy raids in Champagne and Lorraine and carried out a successful raid in Lorraine."

GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, Sept. 26.

A wireless German official message says:—

"The British and French resumed their attacks against St. Quentin and gained a footing at Poutriet, Gricourt, Francilly and Selency."

"Were captured Poutriet and Gricourt."

GERMAN ANXIETY FOR ALSACE-LORRAINE.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 25.

A message from Berlin announces that arrangements are being made to expedite the evacuation of civilians at Metz and other places in Alsace-Lorraine, likely to come within range of the enemy long-range guns. This is the first public admission of the German High Command's anxiety as regards Alsace-Lorraine.

PALESTINE ADVANCE.

OVER 40,000 PRISONERS.

LONDON, Sept. 25.

A Palestine official message says:—

"Eastward of the Jordan we are approaching Amman, north of which the Arabs have effected important demolitions of the railway. Other Arabs are pressing the enemy retreating northward from Maan."

"The prisoners now total over 40,000 and the guns number 265."

A BRITISH OFFICER'S EXPLOITS.

LONDON, Sept. 25.

The French Press is enthusiastic over the exploits of Colonel Lawrence and says that his name will surely become legendary in Great Britain.

Colonel Lawrence is an ex-member of the British Museum staff and an extraordinary linguist. He has been engaged in the Arab operations for three years and has performed almost incredible feats, including one march of 1,800 miles.

ITALIAN SUCCESS IN MACEDONIA.

LONDON, Sept. 25.

An Italian official message states:—

"In Macedonia we occupied the heights northward of Topolizza."

GERMANY'S POINT OF VIEW.

THE CHANCELLOR'S PROPHECY.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 24.

Continuing his speech at the opening of the Main Committee, the Chancellor, Count Hertling, after attributing American war enthusiasm partly to huge profits from armaments and sneering at the British recognition of that conglomerate rabble, the Czech-Slovak, as a belligerent Power, declared that the German "iron wall" on the West front would not be broken. The submarines were slowly but surely fulfilling their task of diminishing tonnage, thus above all menacing and restricting reinforcements of men and material from the United States.

Concluding, he said:—"The hour must come when our enemies will see reason and be ready to make an end of war before half the world is ruined and the flower of mankind dead on the battle-field. Meanwhile our business is to stand together, cool, confident and resolute, in the protection of the Fatherland."

Count Hertling reiterated his entire sympathy with the idea of a League of Nations, provided equal rights to all members of the League were guaranteed. He also reiterated that the idea of a restriction of armaments was thoroughly capable of discussion, and concluded by recapitulating his previous views regarding the Freedom of the Seas.

MORE U-BOATS NOW THAN EVER.

Admiral von Brueninghaus, speaking on behalf of the Admiralty, declared that more U-boats were now in operation than in any period since the war.

COUNT HERTLING'S SPEECH.

GERMAN CRITICISMS.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 25. The German newspapers comment unfavourably on Count Hertling's speech.

The *Lokal Anzeiger* admits that the speech was received by silence and some passages were hissed.

The *Tagesblatt* says: "One finds no reference in the speech to all the burning questions of vital interest to the life of the nation. Count Hertling has not understood our present situation."

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HERR ERZBERGER REFUTES THE CHANCELLOR.

LONDON, Sept. 25.

Simultaneously with Count Hertling's defence that Germany invaded Belgium as a defensive measure, the *Neue Zeitung* quotes a chapter of Herr Erzberger's new book on the League of Nations in which Erzberger states that not a single valid documentary proof of intention on the part of the French to cross the frontier can be brought forward. It is even established from the German side that the French plans of mobilization did not provide for entering Belgium.

THE RUSSIAN PEACE.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 25.

Admiral von Hintze, referring to peace in the East, said: "It is to our interest and the interest of the German Empire and its allies to adhere to the peace of Brest-Litovsk as long as it is at all possible."

SUBMARINE PIRACY.

SINKINGS DURING AUGUST.

LONDON, Sept. 25.

The Admiralty announces that the British, Allied and neutral merchant tonnage sunk last month was 337,675 tons, of which the British total is approximately 176,000 and the others 161,675 tons.

Steamships exceeding 500 gross tons entering and leaving the United Kingdom from and to overseas, excluding coast and cross-Channel boats, totalled 8,159,000 gross tons, as compared with 7,719,000 tons in July.

WELSH RAILWAYMEN STRIKE.

UNION'S DECISION IGNORED.

LONDON, Sept. 25.

A section of South Wales railwaymen have struck work, demanding an increase of ten shillings weekly instead of the increase of five shillings offered by the War Cabinet and accepted by the Unions.

The strike has spread to London where the passenger services of several companies are disorganised.

After a meeting of the War Cabinet this morning, Sir Albert Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, announced that the Government had called on the Naval and Military authorities to assist the railways to carry on military traffic and the transport of food-stuffs.

THE GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE.

LONDON, Sept. 25.

Sir Albert Stanley reiterates that the Government will not reopen negotiations with the strikers. He declares that the issue is whether a small section of the community shall coerce the Government into meeting its demands regarding a question which has been settled after long negotiation with the men's Unions and which settlement the Government considers fair.

POLICE COMMISSIONER'S THREAT.

LONDON, Sept. 25.

General Macready, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, in a proclamation last evening, notified that pickets and others attempting to induce railway workers not to work are liable to arrest and prosecution under the Defence of the Realm Act.

STRIKE COLLAPSING.

LATER. The railwaymen's strike is collapsing. A mass meeting at Cardiff decided to return to work.

KOBÉ'S MOUNTAIN TRAMWAY.

ROKKOSAN SCHEME REVIVED.

Mr. Ito Eiichi, the new President of the Hyogo-Kobe Tramway Company, recently indulged in some talk with regard to the future enterprises of that concern. It will be remembered he gave it to be understood that his company was prepared to take over the interests of the Municipal tramways of Kobe, and that it might undertake the construction of a tramway line from Kobe to Rokkosan.

It is now reported that the Hyogo-Kobe Tramway Company is making preliminary investigations with regard to a proposal to build a tramway from either Hyogo or Nagata to Asima via Kumechi, Kobe, and Rokkosan, at a cost of ¥1,000,000. It is expected the company will shortly tender an application to the authorities for the necessary permission. The promoters talk of erecting a number of houses and providing various attractions on Rokkosan with the object of making the mountain the "Karusawa of the Kwansei district."—*Japan Chronicle*.

HOW TIMES CHANGE.

Time was when the man between 40 and 50 was apt to resent the suggestion that he was not so young as he used to be. Events have changed his view. A local gentleman, deafness and a half-remembered fracture of the tibia at football as valuable assets to be laid before morose and sympathetic medical assessors. He doesn't mind fighting, if need be, romances a home journal, what he likes is the prospect of being put into hospital for sedentary work for which he used to pay his clerks 3s. a week in the old days.

The calling up of the older men is revealing some curious instances. There is one from an industrial district of the Midlands. It is not a military man; a man of 45 was called up for service, so was his son, aged 25, but he, the latter, has made himself indispensable in a munition factory in which his father worked for the last 30 years.

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CANTON MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

This Conference closed last night one of the most helpful meetings ever held in Canton. This is the first meeting after the summer vacation. The gathering was held at Tung Shan on the Baptist Compound. An unusually large attendance was noted. The meeting was made notable by the two splendid addresses given by the main speakers of the day. The subject for the Conference was "How the Missionaries can Help China in this Critical Period." The first speaker was Dr. R. E. Chambers and the second the Hon. Dr. Wu Ting-fong.

ADDRESS BY DR. R. E. CHAMBERS. Dr. Chambers dwelt upon the fact that the world war is affecting China more than we realize, and more than China now realizes. The great leaders of the political movements of China are giving more thought to the battle of Europe than they have ever done before. They are beginning to understand that the liberty of China and the world must be decided in the great struggle going on between the Allies and the Central Powers. We can help the Chinese to see this more fully. Several ways were mentioned showing how the missionary can help the Chinese at this time. We must understand the Chinese. To do this we must know them, sympathize with them, share with them our lives in solving their problems. We need to think with them, and to think on a level with them. We must adjust ourselves as to be able to see their problems as they see them, and then use the power and life of the Master to solve these.

China needs to know the world and to have an insight into what is going on elsewhere. She needs to know what is going on throughout her own great country. One of the best ways to do this is to have a large up-to-date library full of good reading matter in Chinese. Canton is admirably fitted for such a library and we ought to seek as soon as possible to establish it—rather, enlist the Chinese in the movement and get them to establish it. The Conference enthusiastically endorsed this suggestion.

THE HON. WU TING-FONG'S ADDRESS.

Wu Ting-fong spoke in the evening. His address was written quite fully, and carefully worded and suited to the conditions now existing in China. He showed many ways that the missionary can now help China. His knowledge of the missionary propaganda and his insight into China's own conditions made his address one of great importance. He first mentioned that China realizes that the missionary is here not to interfere with her political affairs, but to preach righteousness and Christian life. Though the missionary is not to interfere with political affairs, yet he can help China in her present struggles for self-government in many ways, some of which he mentioned as the following: The missionary can give correct and unbiased information to the nations of the West. The world ought to know the real conditions that China is facing, and the missionary through letters to friends and papers in the homeland can help to make these conditions known. Also the missionary in the various schools can establish self-governing societies which will help the youths to govern China in the future. China's greatest need is to know how to govern herself for the good of the many, rather than submitting to the rule of the few for personal gain. Civic righteousness ought to be inculcated in the hearts of the youths, and these in the coming days will bring a new rule in China. China needs to be taught sanitation. It is difficult to govern a city, and it is also very difficult to clean up a city like Canton. Sanitation is one of the great needs of the Chinese, and the missionary ought to do much to help bring about a better condition. His address was received most gratefully. He showed a clear insight into the moral and political conditions that prevail at this time, and considerable wisdom as to how China ought to meet these in a way that will mean the most for the people of the whole country.

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HAVE you ever tried Chamberlain's Pain-Balm for Rheumatism? If you are suffering from it, you will find it the longest and the most reliable remedy. It is a sure cure for all kinds of rheumatism, and it is so easy to use that even a child can apply it. It is a sure cure for all kinds of rheumatism, and it is so easy to use that even a child can apply it.

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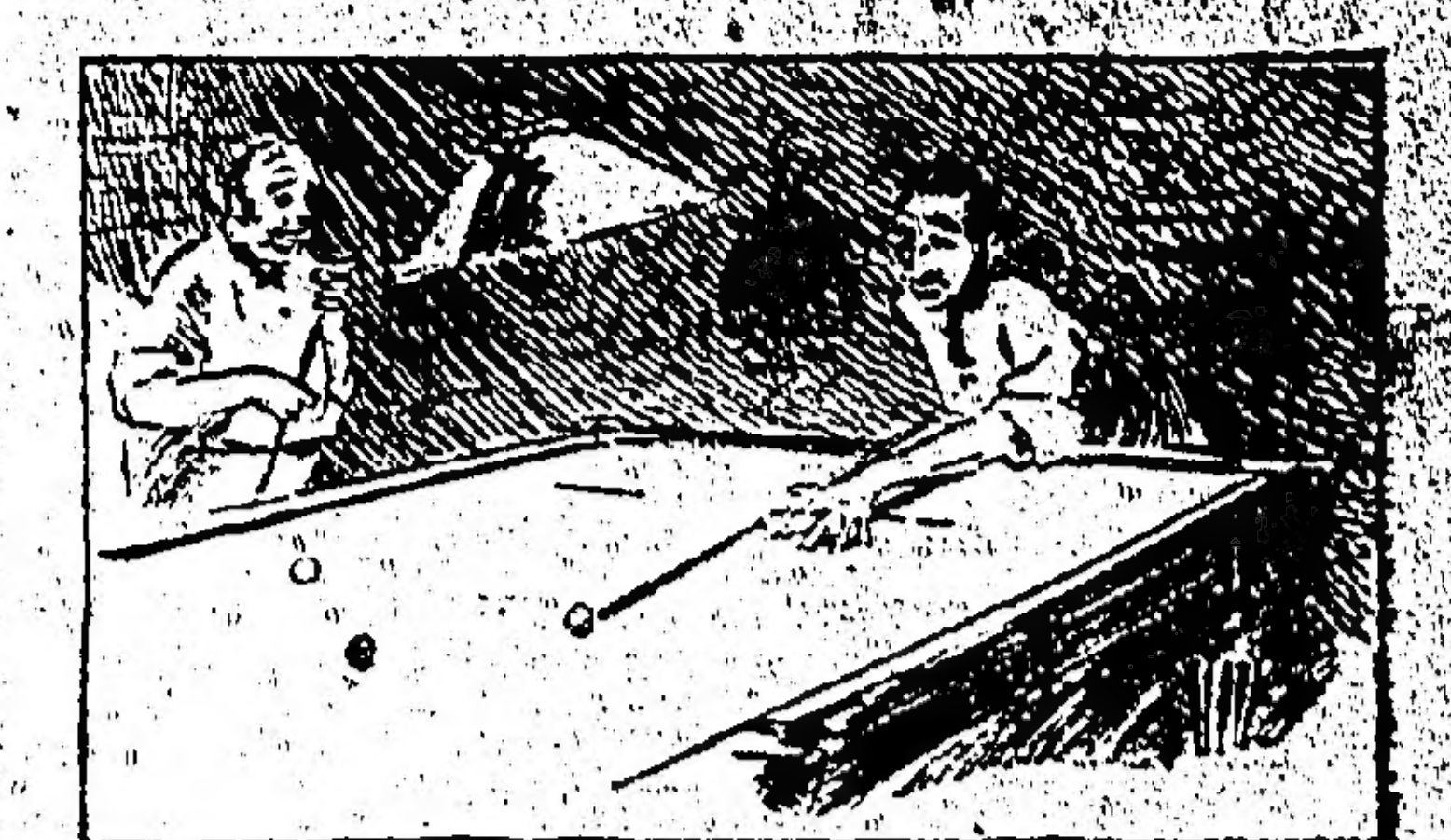
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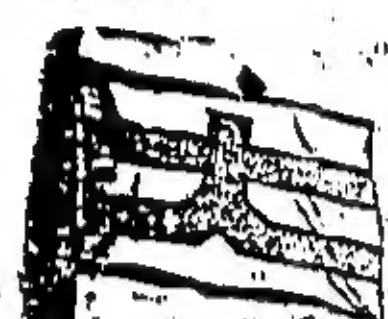
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MEANING OF THE MARNE.

EFFECTS OF RUSSIA'S DEFECTION
WRITTEN OFF.

(By H. S. SPOONER.)

Following is the first article contributed to the London "Times" by Mr. H. S. Spooner, who succeeded Col. Repington as "correspondent on the war." Mr. Spooner is a "Student of War" in the "Manchester Guardian" is known as one of the ablest writers on military questions.

The Kaiser's proclamation to his troops summarizing the results of four years of war was notably modest in its claims on the Western Front. He could not have said that the German Army in France had kept its hands clean from the hand, made the defence during two years in which it was outnumbered and dealt against its shield blows after the defeat of Russia had restored the parity of numbers.

But he said no more, and all the objectives in his vocabulary will not make a verb, which is the only part of speech that matters. That he should have said no more is more remarkable because of the known differences of opinion to German Governmental quarters about the policy for the Western offensive. For the third time the German General Staff has staked its credit on breaking through after the first failure of Von Moltke.

Von Falkenhayn had to go after the second failure at Verdun, and now is landlocked to go after the third failure. The same causes which turned the tides of the German offensive from the West to the East after the first battle of the Marne have to be repeated. Let those of us who worry over the fact that the second Marne battle was fought over much the same ground as the first, and with much the same result think how much more painfully that fact would strike them if they were Germans.

Russia restored to full communication with the outside world, means Asiatic Turkey isolated. The whole of Turkey in Asia could then have been left to fall an easy prey to India, whose immense resources of manpower a "Jathum" would forthwith have begun to organize.

There were two alternatives, one either that our army in France was a Flauders expeditionary force subsidiary to the operations of the fleet, or it was a genuine army on a Continental scale. The two alternatives were confused in the arrangements for the higher command, but the moment it was clear that our army was not an expeditionary force for the defence of the Narrows, but the left wing of the army in the West, unity of command was necessary not only as a measure of military efficiency but in justice to the French generally.

"We had to wait three-and-a-half years, suffer the severest reverses in our history before the principle was recognized. How one blushed to think now of those early popular boasts in the autumn of 1914 that we had saved France! Why, we had barely begun to learn the alphabet of Continental war. How could we think then that we had exterminated by intuition knowledge of an art dealing in millions to which France and Germany had given generations of patient organized thought?

"A Chatham would have recognized that national war involves mobilization not only of bodies of nations, but its minds, for the mobilization of mind may have been the calling up of many bodies. He would have foreseen the crisis of manpower. He would not have waited for it to overtake him and gain economy in life.

"Mobilization of mind."

"It is true the Chatham policy which preferred the use of the army as an adjunct to the fleet would have been modified. We could not honour itself, or abstain from giving direct military assistance to France. On the

contrary it would have been well if our assistance had been more unrestricted even though our numbers were restricted and the advantage of efficiency in working together would have been incalculable.

"He would have seen too that mobilization of the mind of the nation presupposes confidence between the rulers and the ruled, which must depend upon knowledge and free circulation of ideas. An unintelligent censorship may throw away the one great advantage of democracy at war upon democracy.

"Comparatively little as the past year has brought us in positive military achievement, it has this consolation, that we were all too slowly working back to the few simple principles that make success in war. We ought by this time to have been far ahead of life than we are, but after all the second Marne is not a mere repetition of the first.

"The first proved only that Germany was not strong enough to conduct simultaneous offensives both West and East. Second premises prove that we had now written off in the West the effects of the defeat of Russia. We have not, however, written off those effects in the East. This is one of two problems still awaiting solution. We will have to reconstitute the Eastern Front, always remembering that since Russia dropped out of the war Italy is exposed on the right wing of the Allies.

SECOND PROBLEM DIFFICULT.
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